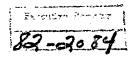
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence

FROM:

Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Articles on Poland and Soviet Union

- 1. Here is the Wall Street Journal editorial and Nagorski op-ed article on Poland. We need a study, as we discussed this morning, on how the milking of Poland squares with the cost of empire. We also need a study on how the debt can be applied to alter the prospects for the pipeline.
- 2. The story from Sunday's Washington Post by Dusko Doder attracted my interest by spelling out:
 - -- How the Soviets cut their capital spending by \$42 billion over five years.
 - -- How the Soviets had to put 27% of the investment into agriculture.
 - -- How the Soviets will have to make an energy investment of \$170 billion over four years.
 - -- How the Soviets have increasing consumer subsidies and \$460 billion annual budget.
 - -- Needs of Eastern European countries related to Soviet industry.

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the cost of empire has been overstated because it fails to reflect the manufactured		
goods which the Soviets pull out of the Eastern European countries at a below		
market price. His perception on our \$22 billion cost of empire calculation		
might be worth having and you might usefully illuminate the degree of dependence		
of the Soviet economy on getting components from other Eastern European countries.		

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